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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
YOSHIHIRO SHIGEMORI, ET AL. : EXAMINER: KUHNS, A. R.
SERIAL NO: 09/988,145 :
FILED: NOVEMBER 19, 2001 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1732
FOR: PRODUCTION PROCESS OF NON- :
FLYING PLASTIC MICROBALLOONS

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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SIR:

Responsive to the Final Office Action dated December 10, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Discussion of the Amendment begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

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SIR:
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required
- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- ☒ Additional documents filed herewith: Copy of Form PTO-1449 filed September 25, 2003

The Fee has been calculated as shown below:

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		TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS				\$0.00
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- ☒ If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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